



KILL WOMEN AND CHILDREN

GOVERNOR GOODING SAYS NO CONSPIRACY EXISTS

Issues Letter Stating That Moyer Heywood and Pettibone Were not Arrested for Purpose of Breaking Up Western Miners Federation.

ORCHARD'S CONFESSION MADE VOLUNTARILY

GOVERNOR OF IDAHO DECLARES THE STATE IS NOT PURSUING ANY UNDERHAND METHODS IN ITS PROSECUTION OF THE CASE AGAINST THE ACCUSED OFFICIALS—GOVERNOR McDONALD ISSUES REQUISITION FOR ST. JOHN.

BOISE, March 12.—To dispel the idea entertained in many quarters that the prosecution of the men now confined in jail for the murder of Steunenberg, is a conspiracy hatched by certain moneyed interests, Governor Gooding has issued a letter, in which he says that the prosecution is being carried on legitimately without favor and the detectives employed are paid their expenses and the usual fees, but they are not working for any promised reward.

As to the confession secured from Orchard the letter states Detective McFarland visited him and informed him who he was, and asked him to tell the truth about the matter. No promises of any character was made, and Orchard fully expects to pay the penalty for the crime of which he has confessed. The letter continues:

"He told a story of the conspiracy and murder against ex Governor Steunenberg, so revolting in every detail as to be almost unbelievable. He gave descriptions of the other crimes, in which he had been interested or of which he had heard, and from these descriptions and other data, furnished by Orchard the state was enabled to gather a mass of evidence so strong that I was compelled by my oath of office, and by my feelings as a man and a citizen to ask for the arrest and extradition of Moyer, Heywood, and Pettibone."

It is further stated the confession from Adams was secured in the same manner, no hope of immunity being held out to him. Governor Gooding emphatically states the accused will have a fair and impartial trial.

Colorado Wants St. John.

DENVER, March 12.—Governor McDonald today issued a requisition upon the Governor of Idaho for the return to Colorado of Vincent St. John now under arrest at Boise, Idaho, in connection with the Steunenberg assassination.

Application was made by District Attorney Selig of Telluride county, Colo-

rado, as the outgrowth of the murder of Benjamin Burnham during the labor troubles there. St. John was then president of the Telluride miner's union, affiliated with the Western Federation of Miners.

An officer from Telluride left tonight for Boise with requisition papers.

RESIGNATION AS SENATOR.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 12.—William Hickman Moore, Democrat, today presented his resignation to Governor Mead as State Senator, because of his election as Mayor of Seattle.

NOTED WOMAN DIES

Susan B. Anthony, Woman Suffragist Passes Away.

Leader of the Woman Suffrage Movement in America Passes to the Great Beyond This Morning—Heart Failure, the Cause.

ROCHESTER, March 13.—The long and eventful life of Susan B. Anthony closed at 12:40 o'clock this morning. The end came peacefully. Miss Anthony had been unconscious practically for twenty-four hours, and her death has been momentarily expected since Sunday night. Only her wonderful constitution kept her alive.

Dr. M. S. Ricker, the attending physician said Miss Anthony died of heart failure, induced by double pneumonia. She has had serious valvular heart trouble the last six or seven years. Her lungs were practically closed but the pneumonia had yielded to treatment, the weakness of her heart however prevented her recovery.

AMBUSH OFFICERS

Three Indians Kill Three U. S. Marshals.

CONCEALED IN HOUSE

One Man Escapes and Two Remain to Hold Outlaws at Bay.

POSSES HASTEN TO SCENE

Every Deputy United States Marshal in the District is Hastening to Scene of the Outrage Capture Certain.

VINITA, I. T., March 12.—A United States Marshal's posse of six men was ambushed by the Wickliffe gang of full blood Cherokee Indians yesterday afternoon on the Night Hawk Indian settlement in the Spavinaw Hills, thirty one miles from Vinita.

Three members of the posse were shot and killed. The dead are: I. L. Gilstrap, deputy United States marshal of Vinita; O. S. Tuttle, and D. Terry, of Tahlequah, posseman Wickliffe's three brothers, Charles, John, and Tom, were at last accounts besieged in the house of their uncle, Jim Wickliffe, and posses from all directions, probably 100 men in all, had gone to capture or kill the desperadoes. It is believed a fight took place this afternoon, but there is no telegraph or telephone connection with the Night Hawk settlement. The Wickliffes killed deputy Marshal Vier about a year and a half ago and the officers have been on their trail ever since.

Deputy Sheriff Gilstrap, with Otto Tuttle, Dick Terry, Thomas Wafford and two possemen, Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock rode up to the home of Jim Wickliffe, an uncle of the Wickliffe boys, intending to make a search of the place, when the outlaws concealed in the house opened fire on them. At the first shot Gilstrap and Tuttle and Terry were killed, at the next volley all of the horses were killed besides the blood hounds. The survivors of Gilstrap's party first into the house but the fire from the outlaws was so sharp that they soon sought shelter.

The survivors decided to send Plezz Mann to Tahlequah for assistance while the other two men would shadow the house, and, if possible, prevent the escape of the Wickliffes.

Mann arrived at Tahlequah at an early hour this morning.

Marshal Darrough and fifteen deputies set out for the battle ground this morning, ten men went from Fryer Creek and other parties started from other settlements, probably 100 men in all.

The trouble with the Wickliffes dates back to January, 1903, when the Cherokee office opened at Vinita. The full-blood Cherokees objected to this proceeding and held war dances all over the Cherokee country and the situation became alarming. On one occasion Peter Wolf, a full-blood Indian was killed by another full-blood for no other reason than that he came to Vinita and secured an allotment.

AMERICAN SOLDIERS COMPELLED TO SLAUGHTER INDISCRIMINATELY

EVIDENCE SUBMITTED.

Arguments in the Packers' Case Begun Yesterday.

CHICAGO, March 12.—The final evidence was submitted, and the arguments commenced in the packers' case late today. Several witnesses were introduced by the packers to refute certain statements made on the stand by special agents of the government and special Agent Durand was called by the government to explain certain matters in his previous testimony. Attorney Miller representing Armour and Company made a motion for Judge Humphrey to direct a verdict in favor of the packers. A cross motion was offered by District Attorney Morison that the evidence be excluded and the verdict be directed in favor of the government. Arguments were immediately begun and will probably last several days.

ZAPORA BELIEVED SAFE.

TACOMA, March 12.—Officers of the International Fisheries Company of Tacoma, owners of the steamer Zapora, do not believe her lost and say the life buoy and cars are undoubtedly those lost by the steamer during a gale six months ago. The Zapora left here Saturday night and left Port Townsend Sunday morning, and could not possibly have got anywhere near as far north as Grisham Island.

OPINION IS DIVIDED

Senate Argues Over Tillman-Gillespie Resolution.

Tillman Complains President's Message Regarding Resolution Was of Such a Character as to Charge the Senate with Pretense, Etc.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—There was a sharp division of opinion in the Senate today over the question of whether the Tillman-Gillespie resolution instructing the Inter-State Commission to inquire into the railroad holdings of coal and oil lands was of a character justifying the President's message regarding it. Senator Tillman complained that the President had charged Congress with insincerity, pretense, and ignorance and Senators Lodge and Spooner took the position that the charge of ignorance was warranted. The debate was spirited, but was interrupted at 2 o'clock when the railroad rate bill was called up and Senator Culberson made a two hours' legal argument, in which he supported a bill, his own, which he has introduced as a substitute for the pending House bill. Senators Elkins and Bacon announced that they would discuss the resolution and the message later, and it is predicted that several others will do the same.

HEAVY RAIN.

LOS ANGELES, March 11.—What will undoubtedly prove to be the heaviest rain of the season has been falling here since noon today and continues tonight. The water has fallen in torrents and not a little damage has been done in the city. Street car lines have been greatly hampered and are completely tied up.

In Battle of Dajo Hill Women and Children Were Used By the Natives as Shields and Killing Was Unavoidable.

GENERAL WOOD UPHOLDS SOLDIERS ACTIONS

GENERAL LEONARD WOOD, WHO COMMANDED AMERICANS IN FIGHT, SAYS WOMEN WORE MALE ATTIRE SO THAT SEX COULD NOT BE DISTINGUISHED—WOMEN FOUGHT WITH DESPERATION EQUAL TO THE MEN.

MANILA, March 12.—Major-General Wood, who has arrived here announced that he assumes the full responsibility for the fight against the Moros at Dajo Hill near Jolo. He said there was no wanton destruction of women and children in the fight, though many of them were killed by force of necessity, because the Moros used them as shields in the hand to hand fighting.

General Wood declared that many women wore male attire and their sex could not be distinguished. Another confusing cause was the desperation

with which the women fought, the priests having worked all of the Moros to a religious frenzy. Many of the Moros feigned death and butchered the American hospital men who were relieving the wounded. General Wood said:

"Neither in this nor in any fight has an American soldier killed a woman or child except in close action when it was impossible to distinguish the sex."

Secretary of War Taft cabled for a full explanation concerning the deaths of the women and children, and General Wood has sent a lengthy reply of which the foregoing is the substance.

WRECKAGE FOUND.

Pieces of Wreckage From Steamer Zapora Found on Grisham Island.

VICTORIA, March 12.—News is received from Skidegate that life buoy and two cars marked "S. S. Zapora" and two dories, not marked, were found on Grisham Island. Two broken oak built ships boats, ten cars and about 20,000 feet of lumber, also came ashore between Skidegate and Rose Spit. The Zapora is a steam fishing vessel carrying about thirty men, which plies from Tacoma to the Halibut Banks of Queen Charlotte Sound.

CALEB POWERS LOSES.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The Caleb Powers case was decided by the Supreme Court of the United States today against Powers. The opinion was delivered by Justice Harlan, and held that the case was not removable from the state to the Federal courts. The case was therefore remanded to the Kentucky state courts.

The opinion was based on the ground that the equal rights statute section 641, Revised Statutes, does not apply unless recognized by state laws or the state constitution.

Justice Harlan said that the Supreme Court of the United States could take cognizance of the case on a writ of error. The opinion was unanimous.

CABINET CHANGES

If Taft Goes on Supreme Bench Changes Will Be Made.

Taft Will Make Decision on Thursday or Friday—Ambassador to Russia, Meyer, May Succeed Taft in the Cabinet.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The personal desires and the arrangements of some of the other members of the cabinet will make it necessary for some shifting about of the President's cabinet in the event that Secretary Taft decides to accept the proffered place on the supreme bench, to succeed Justice Brown, and the name of George V. L. Meyer of Massachusetts, at present Ambassador to Russia, has been favorably considered with the prospect that he will fill the first vacancy. It can be stated positively the President himself has not yet definitely settled just what these changes shall be. It is expected Secretary Taft's decision will be reached and announced Thursday or Friday.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LEGISLATION DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The house devoted its attention to legislation for the District of Columbia today with the exceptions of making an inquiry of the secretary of the treasury regarding fees for additional services in the cus-

tom cases, which may have been paid the United States district attorney for the southern district of New York. Four local bills were passed, two tabled and one recommended. Effort to bring up the natural bill failed for lack of a quorum.

RATE DISCRIMINATION BY KANSAS RAILROADS

KANSAS CITY, March 12.—In the inter-state commerce hearing here today into the charges against the Kansas Oil Producers' Association, that the Kansas railways discriminate in favor of the Standard Oil Company in the

matter of giving rates on oil, A. F. Robertson, of Cherryvale, Kansas, a member of the Uncle Sam Oil Company and E. A. Leland, assistant general freight agent of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway gave important testimony.